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TURNER - MR. WALTER NELSON

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1. DR. TURNER REQUIRED DEFINITE CONFIRMATION OF
PROPOSED VISIT TO VLADIVOSTOK AND OTHER USSR CITIES
BY JULY 25, AS PER REFTEL B, IN ORDER TO MAKE FURTHER
RESEARCH COMMITMENTS. SINCE SCST UNABLE EITHER TO
OBTAIN PERMISSION FOR VISIT BY THIS DATE OR EVEN TO
SPECULATE ON POSSIBLE OUTCOME OF INITIAL INVITATION,
TURNER AND NELSON FEEL UNABLE TO CONTINUE TO WAIT FOR
POSSIBILITY OF OFFICIAL INVITATION ISSUANCE AND WILL
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THEREFORE NOT BE VISITING USSR THIS SUMMER.

2. PLEASE ADVISE SCST THAT TURNER AND NELSON HAVE
CANCELED PLANS TO VISIT SOVIET UNION, MAKING CLEAR
THAT WE REGRET CANCELLATION AND HOPE VERY MUCH FOR
BETTER COORDINATION IN FUTURE.

3. DR. TURNER HAS RECEIVED RECENT COMMUNICATION FROM ZOOLOGICAL INSTITUTE OF SOVIET ACADEMY OF SCIENCES, LENINGRAD, INDICATING THAT DR. SKARLATO HOPES THAT DR. TURNER WILL BE ABLE TO VISIT EASTERN USSR IN SUMMER 78 FOR JOINT BIVALVE STUDIES. DR. TURNER TENTATIVELY PLANNING ON VISIT AT THAT TIME.

4. DEPARTMENT GREATLY APPRECIATES EMBASSY EFFORTS IN OBTAINING REQUIRED INFORMATION IN SUCH TIMELY MANNER. VANCE

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